

Bidding RFI Responses

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Question: Addendum #2 is not readable. Can you repost the sign in sheet?

VA Response: *Contracting will repost sign-in sheet. The sign in sheet had to be sent by e-mail if you have not had a chance to request a copy please send the request to Terance.Crawley@va.gov*

Question: The plans show removing the existing elevator shaft and equipment. The shaft is understood. The question is the existing equipment- the plan states we are to tell you what is there but we cannot properly put a price on removing what we have not seen. Is the old elevator car still there? It was boarded up at the site visit. We see what the plans call for regarding the new floor. Is there demo work further down in the basement level that must be associated with this quote. There is nothing shown at the 2nd floor where the elevator shaft extends. Does the masonry stop at that point and there is no work?

VA Response: *Removal of elevator and associated equipment is only between the first floor and the underside of the second floor, the basement and second floor spaces are occupied and not included. Removal of elevator equipment includes, but is not limited to, elevator cab and associated assembly, guide rails, sill and miscellaneous electrical work. There are no additional elevator equipment rooms or equipment outside of the shaft.*

Question: The drawings show what appears to be exterior windows and roof work. The location of the area of work appears to be away from any exterior walls. Is this correct?

VA Response: *Work associated with the exterior windows is on the second floor in the Fan Room as identified in the documents. There is no new roof, only penetrating the existing roof for mechanical work. New flashing and patching existing roof as required per manufacturer's recommendation is shown in the documents.*

Question: This is a very tight space and coordination of the demolition will be critical. Where do we take the material to be removed? Is there a place for dumpsters? How far must we travel?

VA Response: *Dumpster Locations are not guaranteed by the VA. Contractor is responsible for the removal of all trash/debris. If space is available for a dumpster the location will likely be approximately 500' away, near the boiler plant.*

Question: Along the same line, how do we get materials into the new work areas? Where are deliveries made and how far from the area of work is the location?

VA Response: *Deliveries can be made at the main loading dock and brought to site via the freight elevators. From the construction site to the main loading dock is approximately 900'.*

Question: After reviewing the division 08 71 00 door hardware section, it looks as though the Door Hardware Schedule only lists products from one manufacturer in each category. Is the intent that the specification be open?

VA Response: *As noted in the Brand Name or Equal document, the manufacturers were listed to establish a level of quality, function, and general appearance. Other than the lock cylinders by Corbin Ruswin, alternate manufacturers for the door hardware can be substituted if they are equal. Corbin Ruswin must be provided for the locksets and a Justification and Approval for Other Than Full and Open Competition has been submitted.*